

# BETHE ALGEBRA AND ALGEBRA OF FUNCTIONS ON THE SPACE OF DIFFERENTIAL OPERATORS OF ORDER TWO WITH POLYNOMIAL SOLUTIONS

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ABSTRACT. We show that the following two algebras are isomorphic. The first is the algebra  $A_P$  of functions on the scheme of monic linear second-order differential operators on  $\mathbb{C}$  with prescribed regular singular points at  $z_1, \dots, z_n, \infty$ , prescribed exponents  $\Lambda^{(1)}, \dots, \Lambda^{(n)}, \Lambda^{(\infty)}$  at the singular points, and having the kernel consisting of polynomials only. The second is the Bethe algebra of commuting linear operators, acting on the vector space  $\text{Sing } L_{\Lambda^{(1)}} \otimes \dots \otimes L_{\Lambda^{(n)}}[\Lambda^{(\infty)}]$  of singular vectors of weight  $\Lambda^{(\infty)}$  in the tensor product of finite dimensional polynomial  $\mathfrak{gl}_2$ -modules with highest weights  $\Lambda^{(1)}, \dots, \Lambda^{(n)}$ .

## 1. INTRODUCTION

1.1. There is a classical connection between Schubert calculus and representation theory of the Lie algebra  $\mathfrak{gl}_N$ . Let  $V$  be a vector space. Then Schubert cycles in the Grassmannian of  $N$ -dimensional subspaces of  $V$  are labeled by highest weights of polynomial irreducible  $\mathfrak{gl}_N$ -modules and if the intersection of several cycles is finite, then the intersection number is equal to the multiplicity of the unique one-dimensional representation in the tensor product of the corresponding polynomial finite-dimensional  $\mathfrak{gl}_N$ -modules. It is a challenge to understand in a deeper way this enumerological relation, see [F], [B].

In this paper we prove a result which may help to comprehend better the interrelation of Schubert calculus and representation theory. Namely, for  $N = 2$  under certain conditions, we identify the algebra of functions on the intersection of Schubert cycles with the Bethe algebra of linear operators acting on the multiplicity space of the one-dimensional subrepresentation.

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1.2. Let  $\Lambda^{(1)}, \dots, \Lambda^{(n)}, \Lambda^{(\infty)}$  be dominant integral  $\mathfrak{gl}_N$ -weights. Consider the tensor product  $L_{\Lambda} = L_{\Lambda^{(1)}} \otimes \dots \otimes L_{\Lambda^{(n)}}$  of  $n$  polynomial irreducible finite-dimensional  $\mathfrak{gl}_N$ -modules with highest weights  $\Lambda^{(1)}, \dots, \Lambda^{(n)}$ , respectively. Let  $\text{Sing } L_{\Lambda}[\Lambda^{(\infty)}] \subset L_{\Lambda}$  be the subspace of singular vectors of weight  $\Lambda^{(\infty)}$ . Fix  $n$  distinct complex numbers  $z_1, \dots, z_n$ . Then the theory of the integrable Gaudin model provides us with a collection of commuting linear operators on that space, the operators being called the higher Gaudin Hamiltonians or the higher transfer matrices. The unital algebra  $A_L$  of endomorphisms of  $\text{Sing } L_{\Lambda}[\Lambda^{(\infty)}]$ , generated by the higher Gaudin Hamiltonians, is called the Bethe algebra.

Thus, given a set of  $n+1$  highest weights  $\Lambda^{(1)}, \dots, \Lambda^{(n)}, \Lambda^{(\infty)}$  and a collection of complex numbers  $z_1, \dots, z_n$  we construct the vector space  $\text{Sing } L_{\Lambda}[\Lambda^{(\infty)}]$  and the commutative Bethe algebra of linear operators acting on that space.

There is another construction which starts with the same initial data. Having a set of highest weights  $\Lambda^{(1)}, \dots, \Lambda^{(n)}, \Lambda^{(\infty)}$  as above and a collection of distinct complex numbers  $z_1, \dots, z_n$ , we may construct one more vector space of the same dimension as  $\text{Sing } L_{\Lambda}[\Lambda^{(\infty)}]$  and an algebra of commuting linear operators acting on that new space.

Namely, write  $\Lambda^{(i)} = (\Lambda_1^{(i)}, \dots, \Lambda_N^{(i)})$ ,  $i = 1, \dots, n, \infty$ , with  $\Lambda_1^{(i)} \geq \dots \geq \Lambda_{N-1}^{(i)} \geq \Lambda_N^{(i)}$  being non-negative integers. Consider the vector space  $\mathbb{C}_d[x]$  of polynomials in  $x$  of degree not greater than  $d$ , where  $d$  is a natural number big enough with respect to  $n$  and  $N$ . Define  $n+1$  Schubert cycles  $C_{z_1, \Lambda^{(1)}}, \dots, C_{z_n, \Lambda^{(n)}}, C_{\infty, \Lambda^{(\infty)}}$  in the Grassmannian of all  $N$ -dimensional subspaces of  $\mathbb{C}_d[x]$  as follows. For  $i = 1, \dots, n$ , the cycle  $C_{z_i, \Lambda^{(i)}}$  is the closure of the set of all  $N$ -dimensional subspaces  $V \subset \mathbb{C}_d[x]$  having a basis  $f_1, \dots, f_N$  such that  $f_j(x) = (x - z_i)^{\Lambda_j^{(i)} + N - j} + O((x - z_i)^{\Lambda_j^{(i)} + N - j + 1})$  for all  $j$ . The cycle  $C_{\infty, \Lambda^{(\infty)}}$  is the closure of the set of all  $N$ -dimensional subspaces  $V \subset \mathbb{C}_d[x]$  having a basis  $f_1, \dots, f_N$  of polynomials of degrees  $\Lambda_N^{(\infty)}, \Lambda_{N-1}^{(\infty)} + 1, \dots, \Lambda_{\infty}^{(i)} + N - 1$ , respectively. Consider the intersection of these cycles and the algebra  $A_G$  of functions on this intersection.

By Schubert calculus, the dimension of  $A_G$ , regarded as a vector space, equals the dimension of the vector space  $\text{Sing } L_{\Lambda}[\Lambda^{(\infty)}]$ . Multiplication in the algebra  $A_G$  defines on the vector space  $A_G$  the commutative algebra of linear multiplication operators. The vector space  $A_G$  with the commutative algebra of multiplication operators is our new object.

We conjecture that there exists a natural isomorphism of the vector spaces  $A_G \rightarrow \text{Sing } L_{\Lambda}[\Lambda^{(\infty)}]$  which induces an isomorphism of the corresponding algebras — the algebra of multiplication operators on  $A_G$  and the Bethe algebra  $A_L$  acting on  $\text{Sing } L_{\Lambda}[\Lambda^{(\infty)}]$ .

Note that the Bethe algebra  $A_L$  has linear algebraic nature (it is generated by a finite set of relatively explicitly defined matrices) while the algebra  $A_G$  has geometric nature (it is the algebra of functions on the intersection of several algebraic cycles). An isomorphism of  $A_L$  and  $A_G$  may allow us to study one of the algebras in terms of the other.

For example, the intersection of Schubert cycles  $C_{z_1, \Lambda^{(1)}}, \dots, C_{z_n, \Lambda^{(n)}}, C_{\infty, \Lambda^{(\infty)}}$  is not transversal if and only if the algebra  $A_G$  has nilpotent elements. Probably it is easier to check the presence of such elements in  $A_L$  than in  $A_G$ .

As another example, assume that all elements of the Bethe algebra  $A_L$  are diagonalizable. In that case the algebra  $A_G$  does not have nilpotent elements, hence the intersection of the Schubert cycles is transversal. Returning back to the Bethe algebra  $A_L$  we may conclude that the spectrum of  $A_L$  is simple.

The main result of this paper is the construction of an isomorphism of  $A_L$  and  $A_G$  for  $N = 2$ .

1.3. The paper has the following structure.

In Section 2 we define two algebras  $A_M$  and  $A_D$ . The algebra  $A_M$  is the algebra generated by the Gaudin Hamiltonians acting on the subspace  $\text{Sing } M_{\Lambda}[\Lambda^{(\infty)}]$  of singular vectors of weight  $\Lambda^{(\infty)}$  in the tensor product  $M_{\Lambda} = M_{\Lambda^{(1)}} \otimes \dots \otimes M_{\Lambda^{(n)}}$  of Verma  $\mathfrak{gl}_2$ -modules. Here  $\Lambda^{(i)} = (m_i, 0)$  for  $i = 1, \dots, n$  and  $\Lambda^{(\infty)} = (\sum_{s=1}^n m_s - l, l)$ .

To define the algebra  $A_D$  we consider the scheme  $C_D$  of monic linear second-order differential operators on  $\mathbb{C}$  having regular singular points at  $z_1, \dots, z_n, \infty$ , with exponents  $0, m_i + 1$  at  $z_i$  for  $i = 1, \dots, n$ , and exponents  $-l, l - 1 - \sum_{s=1}^n m_s$  at infinity, and also having a polynomial of degree  $l$  in its kernel. Then we define  $A_D$  as the algebra of functions on  $C_D$ .

In Section 2.5 we construct an algebra epimorphism  $\psi_{DM} : A_D \rightarrow A_M$ .

In Section 3 we describe Sklyanin's separation of variables for the  $\mathfrak{gl}_2$  Gaudin model and introduce the universal weight function. The important result of Section 3 is Theorem 3.4.2 on the Bethe ansatz method, which describes the interaction of the three objects: algebras  $A_M$ ,  $A_D$ , and the universal weight function.

In Section 4 we consider the space  $A_D^*$ , dual to the vector space  $A_D$ , and the algebra of linear operators on  $A_D^*$  dual to the multiplication operators on  $A_D$ . Using the universal weight function we construct a linear map  $\tau : A_D^* \rightarrow \text{Sing } M_{\Lambda}[\Lambda^{(\infty)}]$ . Theorem 4.3.1 says that  $\tau$  is an isomorphism identifying the algebra of operators on  $A_D^*$  dual to multiplication operators and the Bethe algebra  $A_M$  acting on  $\text{Sing } M_{\Lambda}[\Lambda^{(\infty)}]$ . Theorem 4.3.1 is our first main result.

In Section 4.4 using the Grothendieck bilinear form on  $A_D$  we construct an isomorphism  $\phi : A_D \rightarrow A_D^*$ . The isomorphism  $\phi$  identifies the algebra of multiplication operators on  $A_D$  with the algebra of operators on  $A_D^*$  dual to multiplication operators.

In Section 5 we introduce three more algebras  $A_G$ ,  $A_P$ ,  $A_L$ .

The algebra  $A_G$  is the algebra of functions on the intersection of Schubert cycles  $C_{z_1, \Lambda^{(1)}}, \dots, C_{z_n, \Lambda^{(n)}}, C_{\infty, \Lambda^{(\infty)}}$  in the Grassmannian of two-dimensional subspaces of  $\mathbb{C}_d[x]$ .

To define the algebra  $A_P$  we consider the scheme  $C_P$  of monic linear second-order differential operators on  $\mathbb{C}$  having regular singular points at  $z_1, \dots, z_n, \infty$ , with exponents  $0, m_i + 1$  at  $z_i$  for  $i = 1, \dots, n$  and exponents  $-l, l - 1 - \sum_{s=1}^n m_s$  at infinity, and also

having the kernel consisting of polynomials only. Then the algebra  $A_P$  is the algebra of functions on  $C_P$ .

The algebra  $A_M$  is the algebra generated by the Gaudin Hamiltonians acting on the subspace  $\text{Sing } L_{\Lambda}[\Lambda^{(\infty)}]$  of singular vectors of weight  $\Lambda^{(\infty)}$  in the tensor product  $L_{\Lambda} = L_{\Lambda^{(1)}} \otimes \cdots \otimes L_{\Lambda^{(n)}}$  of polynomial irreducible finite-dimensional  $\mathfrak{gl}_N$ -modules with highest weights  $\Lambda^{(1)}, \dots, \Lambda^{(n)}$ , respectively.

In Section 6 we discuss interrelations of the five algebras  $A_D, A_M, A_G, A_P, A_L$ . In particular, we have a natural isomorphism  $\psi_{GP} : A_G \rightarrow A_P$ .

In Section 6 we construct a linear map  $\zeta : A_P \rightarrow \text{Sing } L_{\Lambda}[\Lambda^{(\infty)}]$ . Using our first main result we show in Theorem 6.4.1 that  $\zeta$  is an isomorphism identifying the algebra of multiplication operators on  $A_P$  and the Bethe algebra  $A_L$  acting on  $\text{Sing } L_{\Lambda}[\Lambda^{(\infty)}]$ . Theorem 6.4.1 is our second main result.

In Section 7 using the Shapovalov form on  $\text{Sing } L_{\Lambda}[\Lambda^{(\infty)}]$  and the isomorphism  $\zeta$  we construct a linear map  $\theta : A_P^* \rightarrow \text{Sing } L_{\Lambda}[\Lambda^{(\infty)}]$ . In Theorem 7.2.1 we show that  $\theta$  is an isomorphism identifying the algebra on  $A_P^*$  of operators dual to multiplication operators and the Bethe algebra  $A_L$  acting on  $\text{Sing } L_{\Lambda}[\Lambda^{(\infty)}]$ . This is our third main result.

As an application of the third main result we prove the following statement, see Corollary 7.2.3.

*If a two-dimensional vector space  $V$  belongs to the intersection of the Schubert cycles  $C_{z_1, \Lambda^{(1)}}, \dots, C_{z_1, \Lambda^{(n)}}, C_{\infty, \Lambda^{(\infty)}}$  and if  $d^2/dx^2 + a(x)d/dx + b(x)$  is the differential operator annihilating  $V$ , then there exists a nonzero eigenvector  $v \in \text{Sing } L_{\Lambda}[\Lambda^{(\infty)}]$  of the Bethe algebra  $A_L$  with eigenvalues given by the functions  $a(x)$  and  $b(x)$ .*

Note that the converse statement follows from Corollaries 12.2.1 and 12.2.2 in [MTV3], see Sections 7.2.2 and 7.2.3.

In Appendix we discuss the relations between the Grothendieck residue on  $A_D$ , the Shapovalov form on  $\text{Sing } L_{\Lambda}[\Lambda^{(\infty)}]$  and the homomorphism  $A_D \rightarrow \text{Sing } M_{\Lambda}[\Lambda^{(\infty)}] \rightarrow \text{Sing } L_{\Lambda}[\Lambda^{(\infty)}]$ .

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## 2. TWO ALGEBRAS

### 2.1. Algebra $A_M$ .

2.1.1. Let  $\mathfrak{gl}_2$  be the complex Lie algebra of  $2 \times 2$ -matrices with standard generators  $e_{ab}, a, b = 1, 2$ . Let  $\mathfrak{h} \subset \mathfrak{gl}_2$  be the Cartan subalgebra of diagonal matrices,  $\mathfrak{h}^*$  the dual space,  $(\cdot, \cdot)$  the standard scalar product on  $\mathfrak{h}^*$ ,  $\epsilon_1, \epsilon_2 \in \mathfrak{h}^*$  the standard orthonormal basis,  $\alpha = \epsilon_1 - \epsilon_2$  the simple root.

Let  $\Lambda = (\Lambda^{(1)}, \dots, \Lambda^{(n)})$  be a collection of  $\mathfrak{gl}_2$ -weights, where  $\Lambda^{(s)} = m_s \epsilon_1$  with  $m_s \in \mathbb{C}$ . Let  $l$  be a nonnegative integer. Define the  $\mathfrak{gl}_2$ -weight  $\Lambda^{(\infty)} = \sum_{s=1}^n \Lambda^{(s)} - l\alpha$ .

The pair  $\Lambda, l$  is called *separating* if  $\sum_{s=1}^n m_s - 2l + 1 + i \neq 0$  for all  $i = 1, \dots, l$ .

2.1.2. Let  $\mathbf{z} = (z_1, \dots, z_n)$  be a collection of distinct complex numbers. Let

$$M_{\mathbf{\Lambda}} = M_{\Lambda^{(1)}} \otimes \cdots \otimes M_{\Lambda^{(n)}}$$

be the tensor product of Verma  $\mathfrak{gl}_2$ -modules with highest weights  $\Lambda^{(1)}, \dots, \Lambda^{(n)}$ , respectively. Denote by  $\text{Sing } M_{\mathbf{\Lambda}}[\Lambda^{(\infty)}]$  the subspace of  $M_{\mathbf{\Lambda}}$  of singular vectors of weight  $\Lambda^{(\infty)}$ ,

$$\text{Sing } M_{\mathbf{\Lambda}}[\Lambda^{(\infty)}] = \{ v \in M_{\mathbf{\Lambda}} \mid e_{12}v = 0, e_{22}v = lv \}.$$

Consider the differential operator

$$\mathcal{D}_{M_{\mathbf{\Lambda}}} = \left( \frac{d}{dx} - \sum_{s=1}^n \frac{e_{11}^{(s)}}{x - z_s} \right) \left( \frac{d}{dx} - \sum_{s=1}^n \frac{e_{22}^{(s)}}{x - z_s} \right) - \left( \sum_{s=1}^n \frac{e_{21}^{(s)}}{x - z_s} \right) \left( \sum_{s=1}^n \frac{e_{12}^{(s)}}{x - z_s} \right).$$

The differential operator acts on  $M_{\mathbf{\Lambda}}$ -valued functions in  $x$  and is called *the universal differential operator* associated with  $M_{\mathbf{\Lambda}}$  and  $\mathbf{z}$ , [T], [MTV1], [MTV3]. We have

$$\mathcal{D}_{M_{\mathbf{\Lambda}}} = \frac{d^2}{dx^2} - \sum_{s=1}^n \frac{m_s}{x - z_s} \frac{d}{dx} + \sum_{s=1}^n \frac{\tilde{H}_s}{x - z_s} \quad (2.1)$$

where  $\tilde{H}_1, \dots, \tilde{H}_n \in \text{End}(M_{\mathbf{\Lambda}})$ ,

$$\tilde{H}_s = \sum_{r \neq s} \frac{1}{z_s - z_r} (m_s m_r - \Omega_{s,r}) \quad \text{and} \quad \Omega_{s,r} = \sum_{i,j=1}^2 e_{ij}^{(s)} \otimes e_{ji}^{(r)}. \quad (2.2)$$

We have  $\tilde{H}_1 + \cdots + \tilde{H}_n = 0$ .

The operators  $\tilde{H}_1, \dots, \tilde{H}_n$  are called *the Gaudin Hamiltonians* associated with  $M_{\mathbf{\Lambda}}$  and  $\mathbf{z}$ . The Gaudin Hamiltonians have the following properties:

- (i) The Gaudin Hamiltonians commute:  $[\tilde{H}_i, \tilde{H}_j] = 0$  for all  $i, j$ .
- (ii) The Gaudin Hamiltonians commute with the  $\mathfrak{gl}_2$ -action on  $M_{\mathbf{\Lambda}}$ :  $[\tilde{H}_i, x] = 0$  for all  $i$  and  $x \in U(\mathfrak{gl}_2)$ .

In particular, the Gaudin Hamiltonians preserve the subspace  $\text{Sing } M_{\mathbf{\Lambda}}[\Lambda^{(\infty)}] \subset M_{\mathbf{\Lambda}}$ .

Restricting  $\mathcal{D}_{M_{\mathbf{\Lambda}}}$  to the subspace of  $\text{Sing } M_{\mathbf{\Lambda}}[\Lambda^{(\infty)}]$ -valued functions we obtain the differential operator

$$\mathcal{D}_{\text{Sing } M_{\mathbf{\Lambda}}} = \frac{d^2}{dx^2} - \sum_{s=1}^n \frac{m_s}{x - z_s} \frac{d}{dx} + \sum_{s=1}^n \frac{H_s}{x - z_s} \quad (2.3)$$

where  $H_s = \tilde{H}_s|_{\text{Sing } M_{\mathbf{\Lambda}}[\Lambda^{(\infty)}]} \in \text{End}(\text{Sing } M_{\mathbf{\Lambda}}[\Lambda^{(\infty)}])$ .

The operator  $\mathcal{D}_{\text{Sing } M_{\mathbf{\Lambda}}}$  will be called *the universal differential operator* associated with  $\text{Sing } M_{\mathbf{\Lambda}}[\Lambda^{(\infty)}]$  and  $\mathbf{z}$ . The operators  $H_1, \dots, H_n$  will be called *the Gaudin Hamiltonians* associated with  $\text{Sing } M_{\mathbf{\Lambda}}[\Lambda^{(\infty)}]$  and  $\mathbf{z}$ .

The commutative unital subalgebra of  $\text{End}(\text{Sing } M_{\Lambda}[\Lambda^{(\infty)}])$  generated by the Gaudin Hamiltonians  $H_1, \dots, H_n$  will be called *the Bethe algebra* associated with  $\text{Sing } M_{\Lambda}[\Lambda^{(\infty)}]$  and  $\mathbf{z}$  and denoted by  $A_M$ .

2.1.3. Introduce the operators  $G_0, \dots, G_{n-2}$  by the formula

$$\sum_{s=1}^n \frac{H_s}{x - z_s} = \frac{G_0 x^{n-2} + \dots + G_{n-2}}{(x - z_1) \dots (x - z_n)}.$$

Then  $G_0 = l(\sum_{s=1}^n m_s + 1 - l)$ .

2.1.4. **Lemma.** *Assume that the pair  $\Lambda, l$  is separating. Then*

$$\begin{aligned} \dim \text{Sing } M_{\Lambda}[\sum_{s=1}^n \Lambda^{(s)} - l\alpha] &= \\ \dim M_{\Lambda}[\sum_{s=1}^n \Lambda^{(s)} - l\alpha] &- \dim M_{\Lambda}[\sum_{s=1}^n \Lambda^{(s)} - (l-1)\alpha]. \end{aligned}$$

*Proof.* The map  $e_{12}e_{21} : M_{\Lambda}[\sum_{s=1}^n \Lambda^{(s)} - (l-1)\alpha] \rightarrow M_{\Lambda}[\sum_{s=1}^n \Lambda^{(s)} - l\alpha]$  is an isomorphism of vector spaces since the pair  $\Lambda, l$  is separating. The fact that  $e_{12}e_{21}$  is an isomorphism implies the lemma.  $\square$

2.1.5. **Theorem.** *Assume that the pair  $\Lambda, l$  is separating. Then for any  $v_0 \in \text{Sing } M_{\Lambda}[\Lambda^{(\infty)}]$  there exist unique  $v_1, \dots, v_l \in \text{Sing } M_{\Lambda}[\Lambda^{(\infty)}]$  such that the function*

$$v(x) = v_0 x^l + v_1 x^{l-1} + \dots + v_l$$

*is a solution of the differential equation  $\mathcal{D}_{\text{Sing } M_{\Lambda}} v(x) = 0$ .*

*Proof.* If all weights  $\Lambda^{(1)}, \dots, \Lambda^{(n)}$  are dominant integral, then the theorem holds by Theorem 12.1.3 from [MTV3]. By Lemma 2.1.4 the dimension of  $\text{Sing } M_{\Lambda}[\Lambda^{(\infty)}]$  does not depend on  $\Lambda$  if the pair  $\Lambda, l$  is separating. Hence the theorem holds for all separating  $\Lambda, l$ .  $\square$

## 2.2. Algebra $A_D$ .

2.2.1. Denote  $\mathbf{a} = (a_1, \dots, a_l)$  and  $\mathbf{h} = (h_1, \dots, h_n)$ . Consider the space  $\mathbb{C}^{l+n}$  with coordinates  $\mathbf{a}, \mathbf{h}$ . Denote by  $D$  the set of all points  $\mathbf{p} \in \mathbb{C}^{l+n}$  whose coordinates satisfy the equations  $q_{-1}(\mathbf{h}) = 0$ ,  $q_0(\mathbf{h}) = 0$ , where

$$q_{-1}(\mathbf{h}) = \sum_{s=1}^n h_s, \quad q_0(\mathbf{h}) = \sum_{s=1}^n z_s h_s - l(\sum_{s=1}^n m_s + 1 - l).$$

The set  $D$  is an affine space of dimension  $l + n - 2$ .

2.2.2. Denote by  $\mathcal{D}_{\mathbf{h}}$  the following polynomial differential operator in  $x$  depending on parameters  $\mathbf{h}$ ,

$$\mathcal{D}_{\mathbf{h}} = \left( \prod_{s=1}^n (x - z_s) \right) \left( \frac{d^2}{dx^2} - \sum_{s=1}^n \frac{m_s}{x - z_s} \frac{d}{dx} + \sum_{s=1}^n \frac{h_s}{x - z_s} \right). \quad (2.4)$$

If  $\mathbf{p} \in D$ , then the singular points of  $\mathcal{D}_{\mathbf{h}(\mathbf{p})}$  are  $z_1, \dots, z_n, \infty$  and the singular points are regular. For  $s = 1, \dots, n$ , the exponents of  $\mathcal{D}_{\mathbf{h}(\mathbf{p})}$  at  $z_s$  are  $0, m_s + 1$ . The exponents of  $\mathcal{D}_{\mathbf{h}(\mathbf{p})}$  at  $\infty$  are  $-l, l - 1 - \sum_{s=1}^n m_s$ .

2.2.3. Denote by  $p(x, \mathbf{a})$  the following polynomial in  $x$  depending on parameters  $\mathbf{a}$ ,

$$p(x, \mathbf{a}) = x^l + a_1 x^{l-1} + \dots + a_l.$$

If  $\mathbf{h}$  satisfies equations  $q_{-1}(\mathbf{h}) = 0$  and  $q_0(\mathbf{h}) = 0$ , then the polynomial  $\mathcal{D}_{\mathbf{h}}(p(x, \mathbf{a}))$  is a polynomial in  $x$  of degree  $l + n - 3$ ,

$$\mathcal{D}_{\mathbf{h}}(p(x, \mathbf{a})) = q_1(\mathbf{a}, \mathbf{h}) x^{l+n-3} + \dots + q_{l+n-2}(\mathbf{a}, \mathbf{h}).$$

The coefficients  $q_i(\mathbf{a}, \mathbf{h})$  are functions linear in  $\mathbf{a}$  and linear in  $\mathbf{h}$ .

Denote by  $I_D$  the ideal in  $\mathbb{C}[\mathbf{a}, \mathbf{h}]$  generated by polynomials  $q_{-1}, q_0, q_1, \dots, q_{l+n-2}$ . The ideal  $I_D$  defines a scheme  $C_D \subset D$ . Then

$$A_D = \mathbb{C}[\mathbf{a}, \mathbf{h}] / I_D$$

is the algebra of functions on  $C_D$ .

The scheme  $C_D$  is the scheme of points  $\mathbf{p} \in D$  such that the differential equation  $\mathcal{D}_{\mathbf{h}(\mathbf{p})}u(x) = 0$  has a polynomial solution  $p(x, \mathbf{a}(\mathbf{p}))$ .

2.2.4. The scheme  $C_D$  and the algebra  $A_D$  depend on the choice of distinct numbers  $\mathbf{z} = (z_1, \dots, z_n)$ :  $C_D = C_D(\mathbf{z})$ ,  $A_D = A_D(\mathbf{z})$ .

2.2.5. **Theorem.** *Assume that the pair  $\mathbf{\Lambda}, l$  is separating. Then the dimension of  $A_D(\mathbf{z})$ , considered as a vector space, is finite and does not depend on the choice of distinct numbers  $z_1, \dots, z_n$ .*

*Proof.* It suffices to prove two facts:

- (i) For any  $\mathbf{z}$  with distinct coordinates there are no algebraic curves lying in  $C_D(\mathbf{z})$ .
- (ii) Let a sequence  $\mathbf{z}^{(i)}$ ,  $i = 1, 2, \dots$ , tend to a finite limit  $\mathbf{z} = (z_1, \dots, z_n)$  with distinct  $z_1, \dots, z_n$ . Let  $\mathbf{p}^{(i)} \in C_D(\mathbf{z}^{(i)})$ ,  $i = 1, 2, \dots$ , be a sequence of points. Then all coordinates  $(\mathbf{a}(\mathbf{p}^{(i)}), \mathbf{h}(\mathbf{p}^{(i)}))$  remain bounded as  $i$  tends to infinity.

We prove (i), the proof of (ii) is similar.

For a point  $\mathbf{p} \in C_D(\mathbf{z})$ , the operator  $\mathcal{D}_{\mathbf{h}(\mathbf{p})}$  has the form

$$B_0(x) \frac{d^2}{dx^2} + B_1(x) \frac{d}{dx} + B_2(x, \mathbf{p})$$

where the polynomials  $B_0, B_1, B_2$  in  $x$  are of degree  $n, n-1, n-2$ , respectively, the top degree coefficients of the polynomials  $B_0, B_1, B_2$  are equal to  $1, -\sum_{s=1}^n m_s, l(\sum_{s=1}^n m_s + 1 - l)$ , respectively, and the polynomials  $B_0, B_1$  do not depend on  $\mathbf{p}$ .

Assume that (i) is not true. Then there exists a sequence of points  $\mathbf{p}^{(i)} \in C_D(\mathbf{z})$ ,  $i = 1, 2, \dots$ , which tends to infinity as  $i$  tends to infinity.

Then it is easy to see that  $\mathbf{h}(\mathbf{p}^{(i)})$  cannot tend to infinity since it would contradict to the fact that  $\mathcal{D}_{\mathbf{h}(\mathbf{p}^{(i)})}(p(x, \mathbf{a}(\mathbf{p}^{(i)}))) = 0$ .

Now choosing a subsequence we may assume that  $\mathbf{h}(\mathbf{p}^{(i)})$  has finite limit as  $i$  tends to infinity.

If  $\mathbf{h}(\mathbf{p}^{(i)})$  has finite limit as  $i$  tends to infinity, then  $\mathbf{a}(\mathbf{p}^{(i)})$  cannot tend to infinity since it would mean that the limiting differential equation has a polynomial solution of degree less than  $l$  and this is impossible.

This reasoning implies that  $\mathbf{p}^{(i)} \in C_D(\mathbf{z})$  cannot tend to infinity. Thus we get contradiction and statement (i) is proved.  $\square$

### 2.3. Second description of $A_D$ .

**2.3.1. Theorem.** *Assume that the pair  $\mathbf{\Lambda}, l$  is separating. Assume that  $\mathbf{h}$  satisfies equations  $q_{-1}(\mathbf{h}) = 0$  and  $q_0(\mathbf{h}) = 0$ . Consider the system*

$$q_i(\mathbf{a}, \mathbf{h}) = 0, \quad i = 1, \dots, l, \quad (2.5)$$

*as a system of linear equations with respect to  $a_1, \dots, a_l$ . Then this system has a unique solution  $a_i = a_i(\mathbf{h})$ ,  $i = 1, \dots, l$ , where  $a_i(\mathbf{h})$  are polynomials in  $\mathbf{h}$ .*  $\square$

*Proof.* Theorem 2.3.1 follows from the fact that

$$q_i(\mathbf{a}, \mathbf{h}) = i \left( \sum_{s=1}^n m_s - 2l + i + 1 \right) a_i + \sum_{j=1}^{i-1} q_{ij}(\mathbf{h}) a_j$$

for  $i = 1, \dots, l$ . Here  $q_{ij}$  are some linear functions of  $\mathbf{h}$ . The coefficient of  $a_i$  does not vanish because the pair  $\mathbf{\Lambda}, l$  is separating.  $\square$

**2.3.2.** Denote by  $I'_D$  the ideal in  $\mathbb{C}[\mathbf{h}]$  generated by  $n$  polynomials  $q_{-1}, q_0, q_j(\mathbf{a}(\mathbf{h}), \mathbf{h})$ ,  $j = l+1, \dots, l+n-2$ . Then

$$A_D \cong \mathbb{C}[\mathbf{h}] / I'_D.$$

### 2.4. Third description of $A_D$ .

**2.4.1.** Assume that  $h_1, \dots, h_n$  satisfy equations  $q_{-1}(\mathbf{h}) = 0$ ,  $q_0(\mathbf{h}) = 0$ . Then

$$\sum_{s=1}^n \frac{h_s}{x - z_s} = \frac{g(x)}{(x - z_1) \dots (x - z_n)},$$



where

$$g(x) = l \left( \sum_{s=1}^n m_s + 1 - l \right) x^{n-2} + g_1(\mathbf{h})x^{n-3} + g_2(\mathbf{h})x^{n-2} + \cdots + g_{n-2}(\mathbf{h})$$

for suitable  $g_1(\mathbf{h}), \dots, g_{n-2}(\mathbf{h})$  which are linear functions in  $\mathbf{h}$ .

**2.4.2. Lemma.** *Let  $c_1, \dots, c_{n-2}$  be arbitrary numbers. Consider the system of  $n$  linear equations*

$$\sum_{s=1}^n h_s = 0, \quad \sum_{s=1}^n z_s h_s = l \left( \sum_{s=1}^n m_s + 1 - l \right),$$

$$g_i(\mathbf{h}) = c_i \quad i = 1, \dots, n-2,$$

with respect to  $h_1, \dots, h_n$ . Then this system has a unique solution.  $\square$

This lemma is the standard fact from the theory of simple fractions.

**2.4.3.** Let  $\mathbf{g} = (g_0, \dots, g_{n-2})$  be a tuple of numbers and

$$g(x) = g_0 x^{n-2} + g_1 x^{n-3} + \cdots + g_{n-2}.$$

The expression

$$\left( \prod_{s=1}^n (x - z_s) \right) \left( \frac{d^2}{dx^2} p(x, \mathbf{a}) - \sum_{i=1}^n \frac{m_i}{x - z_i} \frac{d}{dx} p(x, \mathbf{a}) \right) + g(x) p(x, \mathbf{a}) = 0.$$

is a polynomial in  $x$  of degree  $l + n - 2$ ,

$$\hat{q}_0(\mathbf{a}, \mathbf{g}) x^{l+n-2} + \hat{q}_1(\mathbf{a}, \mathbf{g}) x^{l+n-3} + \cdots + \hat{q}_{l+n-2}(\mathbf{a}, \mathbf{g}),$$

where  $\hat{q}_0(\mathbf{a}, \mathbf{g}) = g_0 - l \left( \sum_{s=1}^n m_s + 1 - l \right)$ .

**2.4.4. Lemma.** *The system of equations*

$$\hat{q}_i(\mathbf{a}, \mathbf{g}) = 0, \quad i = 0, \dots, n-2,$$

determines  $g_0, \dots, g_{n-2}$  uniquely as polynomials in  $\mathbf{a}$ .  $\square$

*Proof.* The equation  $\hat{q}_0(\mathbf{a}, \mathbf{g}) = 0$  gives  $g_0 = l \left( \sum_{s=1}^n m_s + 1 - l \right)$ . Now Lemma 2.4.4 follows from the fact that

$$\hat{q}_i(\mathbf{a}, \mathbf{g}) = g_i + \sum_{j=1}^{i-1} \hat{q}_{ij}(\mathbf{a}) g_j$$

for  $i = 1, \dots, n-2$ . Here  $\hat{q}_{ij}$  are some linear functions of  $\mathbf{a}$ .  $\square$

2.4.5. Combining Lemmas 2.4.2 and 2.4.4, we obtain polynomial functions  $h_i = h_i(\mathbf{a})$ ,  $i = 1, \dots, n$ .

Denote by  $I_D''$  the ideal in  $\mathbb{C}[\mathbf{a}]$  generated by  $l$  polynomials  $q_j(\mathbf{a}, \mathbf{h}(\mathbf{a}))$ ,  $j = n-1, \dots, l+n-2$ . Then

$$A_D \cong \mathbb{C}[\mathbf{a}]/I_D''.$$

2.5. **Epimorphism**  $\psi_{DM} : A_D \rightarrow A_M$ . Let  $h_1, \dots, h_n$  be the functions on  $D$ , introduced in Section 2.2.1, and  $H_1, \dots, H_n$  the Gaudin Hamiltonians.

2.5.1. **Theorem.** *Assume that the pair  $\Lambda, l$  is separating. Then the assignment  $h_s \mapsto H_s$ ,  $s = 1, \dots, n$ , determines an algebra epimorphism  $\psi_{DM} : A_D \rightarrow A_M$ .*

*Proof.* The equations defining the scheme  $C_D$  are the equations of existence of a polynomial solution  $p(x, \mathbf{a})$  of degree  $l$  to the polynomial differential equation  $\mathcal{D}_{\mathbf{h}} u(x) = 0$ . By Theorem 2.1.5, the defining equations for  $C_D$  are satisfied by the coefficients of the universal differential operator  $\mathcal{D}_{\text{Sing } M_\Lambda}$ .  $\square$

### 3. SEPARATION OF VARIABLES

3.1. **Holomorphic representation.** The tensor product  $M_\Lambda = M_{\Lambda^{(1)}} \otimes \dots \otimes M_{\Lambda^{(n)}}$  of Verma  $\mathfrak{gl}_2$ -modules is identified with the space of polynomials  $\mathbb{C}[x^{(1)}, \dots, x^{(n)}]$  by the linear map

$$e_{21}^{j_1} v_{\Lambda^{(1)}} \otimes \dots \otimes e_{21}^{j_n} v_{\Lambda^{(n)}} \mapsto (x^{(1)})^{j_1} \dots (x^{(n)})^{j_n},$$

where  $v_{\Lambda^{(s)}}$  is the generating vector of  $M_{\Lambda^{(s)}}$ . Then the  $\mathfrak{gl}_2$ -action on  $\mathbb{C}[x^{(1)}, \dots, x^{(n)}]$  is given by the differential operators,

$$\begin{aligned} e_{12}^{(s)} &= -x^{(s)} \partial_{x^{(s)}}^2 + m_s \partial_{x^{(s)}} , & e_{21}^{(s)} &= x^{(s)} , \\ e_{11}^{(s)} &= -2x^{(s)} \partial_{x^{(s)}} + m_s , & e_{22}^{(s)} &= 0 , \end{aligned}$$

where  $\partial_{x^{(s)}}$  denotes the derivative with respect to  $x^{(s)}$ .

3.2. **Change of variables.** Make the change of variables from  $x^{(1)}, \dots, x^{(n)}$  to  $u, y^{(1)}, \dots, y^{(n-1)}$  using the relation

$$\sum_{s=1}^n \frac{x^{(s)}}{t - z_s} = u \frac{\prod_{k=1}^{n-1} (t - y^{(k)})}{\prod_{s=1}^n (t - z_s)} ,$$

where  $t$  is an indeterminate. This relation defines  $u, y^{(1)}, \dots, y^{(n-1)}$  uniquely up to permutation of  $y^{(1)}, \dots, y^{(n-1)}$  unless  $u = \sum_{s=1}^n x^{(s)} = 0$ . The map  $(u, y^{(1)}, \dots, y^{(n-1)}) \mapsto (x^{(1)}, \dots, x^{(n)})$  is an unramified covering on the complement to the union of diagonals  $y^{(i)} = y^{(j)}$ ,  $i \neq j$ , and the hyperplane  $u = 0$ .

**3.3. Sklyanin's theorem.** Consider the operators  $\tilde{H}_1, \dots, \tilde{H}_n$  defined by formula (2.2). Introduce the operators

$$K_i(\tilde{H}) = \sum_{s=1}^n \frac{1}{y^{(i)} - z_s} \tilde{H}_s, \quad i = 1, \dots, n-1.$$

**3.3.1. Theorem [Sk].** In variables  $u, y^{(1)}, \dots, y^{(n-1)}$ , we have

$$K_i(\tilde{H}) = -\partial_{y^{(i)}}^2 + \sum_{s=1}^n \frac{m_s}{y^{(i)} - z_s} \partial_{y^{(i)}} , \quad i = 1, \dots, n-1.$$

**3.4. Universal weight function.** The weight subspace  $M_{\Lambda}[\Lambda^{(\infty)}] \subset M_{\Lambda}$  is identified with the subspace of  $\mathbb{C}[x^{(1)}, \dots, x^{(n)}]$  of homogeneous polynomials of degree  $l$ .

We consider the associated  $M_{\Lambda}[\Lambda^{(\infty)}]$ -valued universal weight function

$$\prod_{j=1}^l \left( \prod_{i=1}^n (t_j - z_i) \sum_{s=1}^n \frac{x^{(s)}}{t_j - z_s} \right)$$

of variables  $x^{(1)}, \dots, x^{(n)}, t_1, \dots, t_l$ . In variables  $u, y^{(1)}, \dots, y^{(n-1)}, t_1, \dots, t_l$ , the universal weight function takes the form  $(-1)^{ln} u^l \prod_{j=1}^{n-1} p(y^{(j)})$ , where  $p(x) = \prod_{i=1}^l (x - t_i)$ . If we denote by  $-a_1, a_2, \dots, (-1)^l a_l$  the elementary symmetric functions of  $t_1, \dots, t_l$ , then  $p(x) = p(x, \mathbf{a})$  in notation of Section 2.2.3, and the universal weight function takes the form

$$\omega(u, \mathbf{y}, \mathbf{a}) = (-1)^{ln} u^l \prod_{j=1}^{n-1} p(y^{(j)}, \mathbf{a}),$$

with  $\mathbf{y} = (y^{(1)}, \dots, y^{(n-1)})$ .

The trivial but important property of the universal weight function is given by the following lemma.

**3.4.1. Lemma.** For every  $\mathbf{p} \in D$ , the vector  $\omega(u, \mathbf{y}, \mathbf{a}(\mathbf{p}))$  is a nonzero vector of  $M_{\Lambda}[\Lambda^{(\infty)}]$ .  $\square$

Denote by  $\omega_D$  the projection of the universal weight function  $\omega(u, \mathbf{y}, \mathbf{a})$  to  $M_{\Lambda} \otimes A_D$ .

**3.4.2. Theorem.** For  $s = 1, \dots, n$ , we have

$$\tilde{H}_s \omega_D = h_s \omega_D \tag{3.1}$$

in  $M_{\Lambda} \otimes A_D$ . Moreover, we have

$$\omega_D \in \text{Sing } M_{\Lambda}[\Lambda^{(\infty)}] \otimes A_D. \tag{3.2}$$

*Proof.* First we prove formula (3.1). Let  $\mathbb{C}(u, \mathbf{y})$  be the algebra of rational functions in  $u, \mathbf{y}$ . For  $i = 1, \dots, n-1$ , introduce

$$K_i(\mathbf{h}) = \sum_{s=1}^n \frac{h_s}{y^{(i)} - z_s} \in \mathbb{C}(u, \mathbf{y}) \otimes A_D.$$

We claim that

$$K_i(\tilde{H}) \omega_D = K_i(\mathbf{h}) \omega_D \quad (3.3)$$

in  $\mathbb{C}(u, \mathbf{y}) \otimes A_D$ . Indeed,

$$\begin{aligned} K_i(\tilde{H}) \omega(u, \mathbf{y}, \mathbf{a}) &= (K_i(\mathbf{h}) + K_i(\tilde{H}) - K_i(\mathbf{h})) \omega(u, \mathbf{y}, \mathbf{a}) = K_i(\mathbf{h}) \omega(u, \mathbf{y}, \mathbf{a}) + \\ &(-1)^{ln} u^l \left[ \left( -\partial_{y^{(i)}}^2 + \sum_{s=1}^n \frac{m_s}{y^{(i)} - z_s} \partial_{y^{(i)}} - \sum_{s=1}^n \frac{1}{y^{(i)} - z_s} h_s \right) p(y^{(i)}, \mathbf{a}) \right] \prod_{j \neq i} p(y^{(j)}, \mathbf{a}). \end{aligned}$$

Clearly, the last term has zero projection to  $\mathbb{C}(u, \mathbf{y}) \otimes A_D$  and we get formula (3.3).

Having formula (3.3), let us show that  $\tilde{H}_s \omega_D = h_s \omega_D$  in  $\mathbb{C}[u, \mathbf{y}] \otimes A_D$ . For that introduce two  $\mathbb{C}[u, \mathbf{y}] \otimes A_D$ -valued functions in a new variable  $x$ :

$$F_1(x) = \sum_{s=1}^n \frac{\tilde{H}_s \omega_D}{x - z_s}, \quad F_2(x) = \sum_{s=1}^n \frac{h_s \omega_D}{x - z_s},$$

and show that the functions are equal.

Each of the functions is the ratio of a polynomial in  $x$  of degree  $n-2$  and the polynomial  $(x - z_1) \dots (x - z_n)$ . To check that the two functions are equal it is enough to check that  $F_1(x) = F_2(x)$  for  $x = y^{(i)}$ ,  $i = 1, \dots, n-1$ , but this follows from formula (3.3). Hence formula (3.1) is proved.

Formula (3.2) follows from formula (3.1). Indeed, by formula (2.2) we have  $\sum_{s=1}^n z_s \tilde{H}_s = \sum_{s=1}^n \sum_{r=1}^{s-1} (m_s m_r - \Omega_{s,r})$ . This implies that  $\sum_{s=1}^n z_s \tilde{H}_s$  acts on the weight subspace  $M_{\Lambda}[\Lambda^{(\infty)}]$  as the operator  $l(\sum_{s=1}^n m_s + 1 - l) - E_{21} E_{12}$ , where  $E_{ij} = \sum_{s=1}^n e_{ij}^{(s)}$ . Since  $\sum_{s=1}^n z_s h_s = l(\sum_{s=1}^n m_s + 1 - l)$ , formula (3.1) allows us to conclude that  $E_{21} E_{12} \omega_D = 0$ . The operator  $E_{21}$  is injective, in variables  $u, y^{(1)}, \dots, y^{(n-1)}$  it is the operator of multiplication by  $u$ . Therefore,  $E_{12} \omega_D = 0$ .  $\square$

#### 4. MULTIPLICATION IN $A_D$ AND BETHE ALGEBRA $A_M$

**4.1. Multiplication in  $A_D$ .** By Theorem 2.2.5, the scheme  $C_D$  considered as a set is finite, and the algebra  $A_D$  is the direct sum of local algebras corresponding to points  $\mathbf{p}$  of the set  $C_D$ ,

$$A_D = \bigoplus_{\mathbf{p}} A_{\mathbf{p}, D}.$$

The local algebra  $A_{\mathbf{p}, D}$  may be defined as the quotient of the algebra of germs at  $\mathbf{p}$  of holomorphic functions in  $\mathbf{a}, \mathbf{h}$  modulo the ideal  $I_{\mathbf{p}, D}$  generated by all functions  $q_{-1}, \dots, q_{l+n-2}$ .

The local algebra  $A_{\mathbf{p},D}$  contains the maximal ideal  $\mathfrak{m}_{\mathbf{p}}$  generated by germs which are zero at  $\mathbf{p}$ .

For  $f \in A_D$ , denote by  $L_f$  the linear operator  $A_D \rightarrow A_D$ ,  $g \mapsto fg$ , of multiplication by  $f$ . Consider the dual space

$$A_D^* = \oplus_{\mathbf{p}} A_{\mathbf{p},D}^*$$

and the dual operators  $L_f^* : A_D^* \rightarrow A_D^*$ . Every summand  $A_{\mathbf{p},D}^*$  contains the distinguished one-dimensional subspace  $\mathfrak{m}^{\mathbf{p}}$  which is the annihilator of  $\mathfrak{m}_{\mathbf{p}}$ .

#### 4.1.1. Lemma.

- (i) For any point  $\mathbf{p}$  of the scheme  $C_D$  considered as a set and any  $f \in A_D$ , we have  $L_f^*(\mathfrak{m}^{\mathbf{p}}) \subset \mathfrak{m}^{\mathbf{p}}$ .
- (ii) For any point  $\mathbf{p}$  of the scheme  $C_D$  considered as a set, if  $W \subset A_{\mathbf{p},D}^*$  is a nonzero vector subspace invariant with respect to all operators  $L_f^*$ ,  $f \in A_D$ , then  $W$  contains  $\mathfrak{m}^{\mathbf{p}}$ .

*Proof.* For any  $f \in \mathfrak{m}_{\mathbf{p}}$  we have  $L_f^*(\mathfrak{m}^{\mathbf{p}}) = 0$ . This gives part (i).

To prove part (ii) we consider the filtration of  $A_{\mathbf{p},D}$  by powers of the maximal ideal,

$$A_{\mathbf{p},D} \supset \mathfrak{m}_{\mathbf{p}} \supset \mathfrak{m}_{\mathbf{p}}^2 \supset \cdots \supset \{0\}.$$

We consider a linear basis  $\{f_{a,b}\}$  of  $A_{\mathbf{p},D}$ ,  $a = 0, 1, \dots$ ,  $b = 1, 2, \dots$ , which agrees with this filtration. Namely, we assume that for every  $i$ , the subset of all vectors  $f_{a,b}$  with  $a \geq i$  is a basis of  $\mathfrak{m}_{\mathbf{p}}^i$ .

Since  $\dim A_{\mathbf{p},D}/\mathfrak{m}_{\mathbf{p}} = 1$ , there is only one basis vector with  $a = 0$  and we also assume that this vector  $f_{0,1}$  is the image of 1 in  $A_{\mathbf{p},D}$ .

Let  $\{f^{a,b}\}$  denote the dual basis of  $A_{\mathbf{p},D}^*$ . Then the vector  $f^{0,1}$  generates  $\mathfrak{m}^{\mathbf{p}}$ .

Let  $w = \sum_{a,b} c_{a,b} f^{a,b}$  be a nonzero vector in  $W$ . Let  $a_0$  be the maximum value of  $a$  such that there exists  $b$  with a nonzero  $c_{a,b}$ . Let  $b_0$  be such that  $c_{a_0,b_0}$  is nonzero. Then it is easy to see that  $L_{f_{a_0,b_0}}^* w = c_{a_0,b_0} f^{0,1}$ . Hence  $W$  contains  $\mathfrak{m}^{\mathbf{p}}$ .  $\square$

**4.2. Linear map**  $\tau : A_D^* \rightarrow \text{Sing } M_{\Lambda}[\Lambda^{(\infty)}]$ . Let  $f_1, \dots, f_{\mu}$  be a basis of  $A_D$  considered as a vector space over  $\mathbb{C}$ . Write

$$\omega_D = \sum_i v_i \otimes f_i \quad \text{with} \quad v_i \in \text{Sing } M_{\Lambda}[\Lambda^{(\infty)}]. \quad (4.1)$$

Denote by  $V \subset \text{Sing } M_{\Lambda}[\Lambda^{(\infty)}]$  the vector subspace spanned by  $v_1, \dots, v_{\mu}$ . Define the linear map

$$\tau : A_D^* \rightarrow \text{Sing } M_{\Lambda}[\Lambda^{(\infty)}], \quad g \mapsto g(\omega_D) = \sum_i g(f_i) v_i. \quad (4.2)$$

Clearly,  $V$  is the image of  $\tau$ .

**4.2.1. Lemma.** *Let  $\mathbf{p}$  be a point of  $C_D$  considered as a set. Let  $\omega(u, \mathbf{y}, \mathbf{a}(\mathbf{p})) \in M_{\Lambda}[\Lambda^{(\infty)}]$  be the value of the universal weight function at  $\mathbf{p}$ . Then the vector  $\omega(u, \mathbf{y}, \mathbf{a}(\mathbf{p}))$  belongs to the image of  $\tau$ .*  $\square$

**4.2.2. Lemma.** *Assume that the pair  $\Lambda, l$  is separating. Then for any  $f \in A_D$  and  $g \in A_D^*$ , we have  $\tau(L_f^*(g)) = \psi_{DM}(f)(\tau(g))$ .*

In other words, the map  $\tau$  intertwines the action of the algebra of multiplication operators  $L_f^*$  on  $A_D^*$  and the action on the Bethe algebra on  $\text{Sing } M_{\Lambda}[\Lambda^{(\infty)}]$ .

*Proof.* The algebra  $A_D$  is generated by  $h_1, \dots, h_n$ . It is enough to prove that for any  $s$  we have  $\tau(L_{h_s}^*(g)) = H_s(\tau(g))$ . But  $\tau(L_{h_s}^*(g)) = \sum_i g(h_s f_i) v_i = g(\sum_i v_i \otimes h_s f_i) = g(\sum_i H_s v_i \otimes f_i) = H_s(\tau(g))$ .  $\square$

**4.2.3. Corollary.** *The vector subspace  $V \subset \text{Sing } M_{\Lambda}[\Lambda^{(\infty)}]$  is invariant with respect to the action of the Bethe algebra  $A_M$  and the kernel of  $\tau$  is a subspace of  $A_D^*$ , invariant with respect to multiplication operators  $L_f^*$ ,  $f \in A_D$ .*

### 4.3. First main theorem.

**4.3.1. Theorem.** *Assume that the pair  $\Lambda, l$  is separating. Then the image of  $\tau$  is  $\text{Sing } M_{\Lambda}[\Lambda^{(\infty)}]$  and the kernel of  $\tau$  is zero.*

**4.3.2. Corollary.** *The map  $\tau$  identifies the action of operators  $L_f^*$ ,  $f \in A_D$ , on  $A_D^*$  and the action of the Bethe algebra on  $\text{Sing } M_{\Lambda}[\Lambda^{(\infty)}]$ . Hence the epimorphism  $\psi_{DM} : A_D \rightarrow A_M$  is an isomorphism.*

*Proof of Theorem 4.3.1.* Let  $d = \dim \text{Sing } M_{\Lambda}[\Lambda^{(\infty)}]$ . Theorem 9.16 in [RV] says that for generic  $\mathbf{z}$  there exists  $d$  points  $\mathbf{p}_1, \dots, \mathbf{p}_d$  in  $C_D$  such that the vectors  $\omega(u, \mathbf{y}, \mathbf{a}(\mathbf{p}_1)), \dots, \omega(u, \mathbf{y}, \mathbf{a}(\mathbf{p}_d))$  form a basis in  $\text{Sing } M_{\Lambda}[\Lambda^{(\infty)}]$ . Hence,  $\tau$  is an epimorphism for generic  $\mathbf{z}$  by Lemma 4.2.1. By Theorem 2.2.5 and Lemma 2.1.4 dimensions of  $A_D$  and  $\text{Sing } M_{\Lambda}[\Lambda^{(\infty)}]$  do not depend on  $\mathbf{z}$ . Hence  $\dim A_D \geq \dim \text{Sing } M_{\Lambda}[\Lambda^{(\infty)}]$ . Therefore, to prove Theorem 4.3.1 it is enough to prove that  $\tau$  has zero kernel.

Denote the kernel of  $\tau$  by  $K$ . Let  $A_D = \bigoplus_{\mathbf{p}} A_{\mathbf{p},D}$  be the decomposition into the direct sum of local algebras. Since  $K$  is invariant with respect to multiplication operators, we have  $K = \bigoplus_{\mathbf{p}} K \cap A_{\mathbf{p},D}^*$  and for every  $\mathbf{p}$  the vector subspace  $K \cap A_{\mathbf{p},D}^*$  is invariant with respect to multiplication operators. By Lemma 4.1.1, if  $K \cap A_{\mathbf{p},D}^*$  is nonzero, then  $K \cap A_{\mathbf{p},D}^*$  contains the one-dimensional subspace  $\mathbf{m}^{\mathbf{p}}$ .

Let  $\{f_{a,b}\}$  be the basis of  $A_{\mathbf{p},D}$  constructed in the proof of Lemma 4.1.1 and let  $\{f^{a,b}\}$  be the dual basis of  $A_{\mathbf{p},D}^*$ . Then the vector  $f^{0,1}$  generates  $\mathbf{m}^{\mathbf{p}}$ . By definition of  $\tau$ , the vector  $\tau(f^{0,1})$  is equal to the value of the universal weight function at  $\mathbf{p}$ . By Lemma 3.4.1, this value is nonzero and that contradicts to the assumption that  $f^{0,1} \in K$ .  $\square$

**4.4. Grothendieck bilinear form on  $A_D$ .** Realize the algebra  $A_D$  as  $\mathbb{C}[\mathbf{h}]/I'_D$ , where  $I'_D$  is the ideal generated by  $n$  polynomials  $q_{-1}, q_0, q_j(\mathbf{a}(\mathbf{h}), \mathbf{h})$ ,  $j = l+1, \dots, l+n-2$ , see Section 2.3.2.

Let  $\rho : A_D \rightarrow \mathbb{C}$ , be the Grothendieck residue,

$$f \mapsto \frac{1}{(2\pi i)^n} \text{Res}_{C_D} \frac{f}{q_{-1}(\mathbf{h})q_0(\mathbf{h}) \prod_{j=l+1}^{l+n-2} q_j(\mathbf{a}(\mathbf{h}), \mathbf{h})}.$$

Let  $(, )_D$  be the Grothendieck symmetric bilinear form on  $A_D$  defined by the rule

$$(f, g)_D = \rho(fg). \quad (4.3)$$

The Grothendieck bilinear form is non-degenerate.

The form  $(, )_D$  determines a linear isomorphism  $\phi : A_D \rightarrow A_D^*$ ,  $f \mapsto (f, \cdot)_D$ .

**4.4.1. Lemma.** *The isomorphism  $\phi$  intertwines the operators  $L_f$  and  $L_f^*$  for any  $f \in A_D$ .*

*Proof.* For  $g \in A_D$  we have  $\phi(L_f(g)) = \phi(fg) = (fg, \cdot)_D = (g, f \cdot)_D = L_f^*((g, \cdot)_D) = L_f^*\phi(g)$ .  $\square$

**4.4.2. Corollary.** *Assume that the pair  $\Lambda, l$  is separating. Then the composition  $\tau\phi : A_D \rightarrow \text{Sing } M_\Lambda[\Lambda^{(\infty)}]$  is a linear isomorphism which intertwines the algebra of multiplication operators on  $A_D$  and the action of the Bethe algebra  $A_M$  on  $\text{Sing } M_\Lambda[\Lambda^{(\infty)}]$ .*

## 5. THREE MORE ALGEBRAS

**5.1. New conditions on  $\Lambda, l$ .** In the remainder of the paper we assume that  $\Lambda = (\Lambda^{(1)}, \dots, \Lambda^{(n)})$  is a collection of dominant integral  $\mathfrak{gl}_2$ -weights,

$$\Lambda^{(s)} = m_s \epsilon_1, \quad m_s \in \mathbb{Z}_{\geq 0}, \quad s = 1, \dots, n. \quad (5.1)$$

We assume that  $l \in \mathbb{Z}_{\geq 0}$  is such that the weight  $\Lambda^{(\infty)} = \sum_{s=1}^n \Lambda^{(s)} - l\alpha$  is dominant integral. Hence the pair  $\Lambda, l$  is separating.

**5.2. Algebra  $A_P$ .** Denote  $\tilde{l} = \sum_{s=1}^n m_s + 1 - l$ . We have  $\tilde{l} > l$ . Denote

$$\tilde{\mathbf{a}} = (\tilde{a}_1, \dots, \tilde{a}_{\tilde{l}-l-1}, \tilde{a}_{\tilde{l}-l+1}, \dots, \tilde{a}_{\tilde{l}}).$$

Consider space  $\mathbb{C}^{\tilde{l}+l+n-1}$  with coordinates  $\tilde{\mathbf{a}}, \mathbf{a}, \mathbf{h}$ , cf. Section 2.2.1.

Denote by  $\tilde{p}(x, \tilde{\mathbf{a}})$  the following polynomial in  $x$  depending on parameters  $\tilde{\mathbf{a}}$ ,

$$\tilde{p}(x, \tilde{\mathbf{a}}) = x^{\tilde{l}} + \tilde{a}_1 x^{\tilde{l}-1} + \dots + \tilde{a}_{\tilde{l}-l-1} x^{l+1} + \tilde{a}_{\tilde{l}-l+1} x^{l-1} + \dots + \tilde{a}_{\tilde{l}}.$$

If  $\mathbf{h}$  satisfies the equations  $q_{-1}(\mathbf{h}) = 0$  and  $q_0(\mathbf{h}) = 0$ , then the polynomial  $\mathcal{D}_{\mathbf{h}}(\tilde{p}(x, \tilde{\mathbf{a}}))$  is a polynomial in  $x$  of degree  $\tilde{l} + n - 3$ ,

$$\mathcal{D}_{\mathbf{h}}(\tilde{p}(x, \tilde{\mathbf{a}})) = \tilde{q}_1(\tilde{\mathbf{a}}, \mathbf{h}) x^{\tilde{l}+n-3} + \dots + \tilde{q}_{\tilde{l}+n-2}(\tilde{\mathbf{a}}, \mathbf{h}).$$

The coefficients  $\tilde{q}_i(\tilde{\mathbf{a}}, \mathbf{h})$  are functions linear in  $\tilde{\mathbf{a}}$  and linear in  $\mathbf{h}$ .

Recall that if  $p(x, \mathbf{a}) = x^l + a_1 x^{l-1} + \dots + a_l$  and  $\mathbf{h}$  satisfies equations  $q_{-1}(\mathbf{h}) = 0$  and  $q_0(\mathbf{h}) = 0$ , then the polynomial  $\mathcal{D}_{\mathbf{h}}(p(x, \mathbf{a}))$  is a polynomial in  $x$  of degree  $l + n - 3$ ,

$$\mathcal{D}_{\mathbf{h}}(p(x, \mathbf{a})) = q_1(\mathbf{a}, \mathbf{h}) x^{l+n-3} + \dots + q_{l+n-2}(\mathbf{a}, \mathbf{h}).$$

Denote by  $I_P$  the ideal in  $\mathbb{C}[\tilde{\mathbf{a}}, \mathbf{a}, \mathbf{h}]$  generated by polynomials  $q_{-1}, q_0, q_1, \dots, q_{l+n-2}, \tilde{q}_1, \dots, \tilde{q}_{\tilde{l}+n-2}$ .

The ideal  $I_P$  defines a scheme  $C_P \subset \mathbb{C}^{\tilde{l}+l+n-1}$ . The algebra

$$A_P = \mathbb{C}[\tilde{\mathbf{a}}, \mathbf{a}, \mathbf{h}] / I_P$$

is the algebra of functions on  $C_P$ .

The scheme  $C_P$  is the scheme of points  $\mathbf{p} \in \mathbb{C}^{\tilde{l}+l+n-1}$  such that the differential equation  $\mathcal{D}_{\mathbf{h}(\mathbf{p})}u(x) = 0$  has two polynomial solutions  $\tilde{p}(x, \tilde{\mathbf{a}}(\mathbf{p}))$  and  $p(x, \mathbf{a}(\mathbf{p}))$ .

**5.3. Algebra  $A_G$ .** Let  $d$  be a sufficiently large natural number and  $\mathbb{C}_d[x]$  the vector subspace in  $\mathbb{C}[x]$  of polynomials of degree not greater than  $d$ . Let  $G$  be the Grassmannian of all two-dimensional vector subspaces in  $\mathbb{C}_d[x]$ . Let  $\mathbf{z} = (z_1, \dots, z_n)$  be distinct complex numbers.

For  $s = 1, \dots, n$ , denote by  $C_{z_s, \Lambda^{(s)}} \subset G$  the Schubert cycle associated with the point  $z_s \in \mathbb{C}$  and weight  $\Lambda^{(s)}$ . The cycle  $C_{z_s, \Lambda^{(s)}}$  is the closure of the set  $C_{z_s, \Lambda^{(s)}}^o \subset G$  of all two-dimensional subspaces  $V \subset \mathbb{C}_d[x]$  having a basis  $f_1, f_2$  such that

$$f_1(z_s) = 1 \quad \text{and} \quad f_2(x) = (x - z_s)^{m_s+1} + O((x - z_s)^{m_s+2}).$$

Denote by  $C_{\infty, \Lambda^{(\infty)}} \subset G$  the Schubert cycle associated with the point  $\infty$  and weight  $\Lambda^{(\infty)}$ .  $C_{\infty, \Lambda^{(\infty)}}$  is the closure of the set  $C_{\infty, \Lambda^{(\infty)}}^o \subset G$  of all two-dimensional subspaces  $V \subset \mathbb{C}_d[x]$  having a basis  $f_1, f_2$  such that  $\deg f_1 = l$  and  $\deg f_2 = \tilde{l}$ .

Consider the intersection

$$C_G = C_{\infty, \Lambda^{(\infty)}} \cap \left( \bigcap_{i=1}^n C_{z_i, \Lambda^{(i)}} \right).$$

Denote by  $A_G$  the algebra of functions on  $C_G$ .

It is known from Schubert calculus that  $\dim A_G$  is finite and does not depend on  $\mathbf{z}$  with distinct coordinates.

**5.3.1.** It is easy to see that

$$C_G = C_{\infty, \Lambda^{(\infty)}}^o \cap \left( \bigcap_{i=1}^n C_{z_i, \Lambda^{(i)}}^o \right).$$



5.3.2. We shall use the following presentation of the algebra  $A_G$ .

Consider space  $\mathbb{C}^{\tilde{l}+l-1}$  with coordinates  $\tilde{\mathbf{a}}, \mathbf{a}$ . A point  $\mathbf{p} \in \mathbb{C}^{\tilde{l}+l-1}$  will be called admissible if for every  $s = 1, \dots, n$  at least one of the numbers  $\tilde{p}(z_s, \tilde{\mathbf{a}}(\mathbf{p}))$ ,  $p(z_s, \mathbf{a}(\mathbf{p}))$  is not zero. The set of all admissible points form a Zariski open subset  $U \subset \mathbb{C}^{\tilde{l}+l-1}$ .

For polynomials  $f, g \in \mathbb{C}[x]$  denote by  $\text{Wr}(f, g)$  the Wronskian  $f'g - fg'$ , where  $'$  denotes  $d/dx$ . The Wronskian of  $\tilde{p}(x, \tilde{\mathbf{a}})$  and  $p(x, \mathbf{a})$  has the form

$$\text{Wr}(\tilde{p}(x, \tilde{\mathbf{a}}), p(x, \mathbf{a})) = (\tilde{l} - l)x^{\tilde{l}+l-1} + w_1(\tilde{\mathbf{a}}, \mathbf{a})x^{\tilde{l}+l-2} + \dots + w_{\tilde{l}+l-1}(\tilde{\mathbf{a}}, \mathbf{a})$$

for suitable polynomials  $w_1, \dots, w_{\tilde{l}+l-1}$  in variables  $\tilde{\mathbf{a}}, \mathbf{a}$ .

Let us write

$$(\tilde{l} - l) \prod_{s=1}^n (x - z_s)^{m_s} = (\tilde{l} - l)x^{\tilde{l}+l-1} + c_1x^{\tilde{l}+l-2} + \dots + c_{\tilde{l}+l-1}$$

for suitable numbers  $c_1, \dots, c_{\tilde{l}+l-1}$ .

Let  $A_U$  be the algebra of regular functions on the set  $U$  of all admissible points. Denote by  $I_G \subset A_U$  the ideal generated by  $\tilde{l} + l - 1$  polynomials  $w_1 - c_1, \dots, w_{\tilde{l}+l-1} - c_{\tilde{l}+l-1}$ . Then

$$A_G = A_U / I_G.$$

In this presentation of  $A_G$  the scheme  $C_G$  is the scheme of points  $\mathbf{p} \in U$  such that the Wronskian of  $\tilde{p}(x, \tilde{\mathbf{a}}(\mathbf{p}))$  and  $p(x, \mathbf{a}(\mathbf{p}))$  is equal to  $(\tilde{l} - l) \prod_{s=1}^n (x - z_s)^{m_s}$ .

5.4. **Algebra  $A_L$ .** Let

$$L_{\Lambda} = L_{\Lambda^{(1)}} \otimes \dots \otimes L_{\Lambda^{(n)}}$$

be the tensor product of irreducible  $\mathfrak{gl}_2$ -modules with highest weights  $\Lambda^{(1)}, \dots, \Lambda^{(n)}$ , respectively. Denote by  $\text{Sing } L_{\Lambda}[\Lambda^{(\infty)}]$  the subspace of  $L_{\Lambda}$  of singular vectors of weight  $\Lambda^{(\infty)}$ .

Let  $S$  denote the tensor Shapovalov form on  $\text{Sing } M_{\Lambda}[\Lambda^{(\infty)}]$ , induced from the tensor product of the Shapovalov forms on the factors of  $M_{\Lambda} = M_{\Lambda^{(1)}} \otimes \dots \otimes M_{\Lambda^{(n)}}$ .

The Shapovalov form determines the linear epimorphism

$$\sigma : \text{Sing } M_{\Lambda}[\Lambda^{(\infty)}] \rightarrow \text{Sing } L_{\Lambda}[\Lambda^{(\infty)}].$$

The Bethe algebra  $A_M$  preserves the kernel of  $\sigma$  and induces a commutative subalgebra  $A_L$  in  $\text{End}(\text{Sing } L_{\Lambda}[\Lambda^{(\infty)}])$  called the Bethe algebra on  $\text{Sing } L_{\Lambda}[\Lambda^{(\infty)}]$ .

Denote by  $\psi_{ML} : A_M \rightarrow A_L$  the corresponding epimorphism.

5.4.1. Denote by

$$\mathcal{D}_L = \frac{d^2}{dx^2} - \sum_{s=1}^n \frac{m_s}{x - z_s} \frac{d}{dx} + \sum_{s=1}^n \frac{\psi_{ML}(H_s)}{x - z_s}$$

the universal differential operator associated with the subspace  $\text{Sing } L_{\Lambda}[\Lambda^{(\infty)}]$  and collection  $\mathbf{z}$ .

5.4.2. **Theorem.** Assume that the pair  $\Lambda, l$  satisfies conditions of Section 5.1. Then for any  $v_0 \in \text{Sing } L_\Lambda[\Lambda^{(\infty)}]$  there exist  $v_1, \dots, v_{\tilde{l}} \in \text{Sing } L_\Lambda[\Lambda^{(\infty)}]$  such that the function

$$v(x) = v_0 x^{\tilde{l}} + v_1 x^{\tilde{l}-1} + \dots + v_{\tilde{l}}$$

is a solution of the differential equation  $\mathcal{D}_L v(x) = 0$ .

This theorem is a particular case of Theorem 12.3 in [MTV3].

## 6. FOUR MORE HOMOMORPHISMS

6.1. **Isomorphism**  $\psi_{GP} : A_G \rightarrow A_P$ . A point  $\mathbf{p}$  of  $C_P$  defines the differential equation  $\mathcal{D}_{h(\mathbf{p})} u(x) = 0$  and two solutions  $\tilde{p}(x, \tilde{\mathbf{a}}(\mathbf{p}))$  and  $p(x, \mathbf{a}(\mathbf{p}))$ . We have

$$\text{Wr}(\tilde{p}(x, \tilde{\mathbf{a}}(\mathbf{p})), p(x, \mathbf{a}(\mathbf{p}))) = (\tilde{l} - l) \prod_{s=1}^n (x - z_s)^{m_s}.$$

Hence, the pair  $\tilde{p}(x, \tilde{\mathbf{a}}(\mathbf{p})), p(x, \mathbf{a}(\mathbf{p}))$  defines a point of  $C_G$ .

This construction defines a homomorphism of algebras  $\psi_{GP} : A_G \rightarrow A_P$ .

6.1.1. **Theorem.** The homomorphism  $\psi_{GP}$  is an isomorphism.

*Proof.* We construct the inverse homomorphism as follows. Let  $\mathbf{v}$  be a point of  $C_G$ . Consider the following differential equation with respect to a function  $u(x)$ ,

$$\det \begin{pmatrix} u'' & u' & u \\ \tilde{p}(x, \tilde{\mathbf{a}}(\mathbf{v}))'' & \tilde{p}(x, \tilde{\mathbf{a}}(\mathbf{v}))' & \tilde{p}(x, \tilde{\mathbf{a}}(\mathbf{v})) \\ p(x, \mathbf{a}(\mathbf{v}))'' & p(x, \mathbf{a}(\mathbf{v}))' & p(x, \mathbf{a}(\mathbf{v})) \end{pmatrix} = 0.$$

Let us write this differential equation as  $B_0(x)u'' + B_1(x)u' + B_2(x)u = 0$ . Here

$$B_0(x) = \text{Wr}(\tilde{p}(x, \tilde{\mathbf{a}}(\mathbf{v})), p(x, \mathbf{a}(\mathbf{v}))) = (\tilde{l} - l) \prod_{s=1}^n (x - z_s)^{m_s}.$$

It is easy to see that each of the polynomials  $B_1, B_2$  is divisible by the polynomial

$$B(x) = (\tilde{l} - l) \prod_{s=1}^n (x - z_s)^{m_s - 1}.$$

Introduce the differential operator

$$\mathcal{D}_{\mathbf{v}} = b_0(x) \frac{d^2}{dx^2} + b_1(x) \frac{d}{dx} + b_2(x) = \frac{1}{B(x)} \left( B_0(x) \frac{d^2}{dx^2} + B_1(x) \frac{d}{dx} + B_2(x) \right).$$

Then

$$b_0(x) = \prod_{s=1}^n (x - z_s), \quad b_1(x) = \prod_{s=1}^n (x - z_s) \left( \sum_{s=1}^n \frac{-m_s}{x - z_s} \right),$$

and  $b_2(x)$  is a polynomial of degree  $n - 2$ , whose leading coefficient is  $\tilde{l}l$ .

The triple, consisting of the differential operator  $\mathcal{D}_{\mathbf{v}}$  and two polynomials  $\tilde{p}(x, \tilde{\mathbf{a}}(\mathbf{v}))$  and  $p(x, \mathbf{a}(\mathbf{v}))$ , determines a point of  $C_P$ , thus defining the inverse homomorphism  $A_P \rightarrow A_G$ .  $\square$

**6.1.2. Corollary.** *The dimension of the algebra  $A_P$  is finite and does not depend on  $\mathbf{z}$  with distinct coordinates.*

Indeed,  $\dim A_P = \dim A_G$  and  $\dim A_G$  is finite and does not depend on  $\mathbf{z}$  with distinct coordinates.

**6.1.3.** It is known from Schubert calculus that  $\dim A_G = \dim \text{Sing } L_{\Lambda}[\Lambda^{(\infty)}]$ .

**6.2. Epimorphism**  $\psi_{DP} : A_D \rightarrow A_P$ . A point  $\mathbf{p}$  of  $C_P$  determines the differential equation  $\mathcal{D}_{\mathbf{h}(\mathbf{p})} u(x) = 0$  and two solutions  $\tilde{p}(x, \tilde{\mathbf{a}}(\mathbf{p}))$  and  $p(x, \mathbf{a}(\mathbf{p}))$ . Then the pair, consisting of the differential equation  $\mathcal{D}_{\mathbf{h}(\mathbf{p})} u(x) = 0$  and one of the solutions  $p(x, \mathbf{a}(\mathbf{p}))$  determines a point of  $C_D$ . This correspondence defines a natural algebra epimorphism  $\psi_{DP} : A_D \rightarrow A_P$ .

**6.3. Linear map**  $\xi : A_D \rightarrow \text{Sing } L_{\Lambda}[\Lambda^{(\infty)}]$ . Denote by  $\xi : A_D \rightarrow \text{Sing } L_{\Lambda}[\Lambda^{(\infty)}]$  the composition of linear maps

$$A_D \xrightarrow{\phi} A_D^* \xrightarrow{\tau} \text{Sing } M_{\Lambda}[\Lambda^{(\infty)}] \xrightarrow{\sigma} \text{Sing } L_{\Lambda}[\Lambda^{(\infty)}] .$$

By Theorem 4.3.1,  $\xi$  is a linear epimorphism.

Denote by  $\psi_{DL} : A_D \rightarrow A_L$  the algebra epimorphism defined as the composition  $\psi_{ML}\psi_{DM}$ .

**6.3.1. Lemma.** *The linear map  $\xi$  intertwines the action of the multiplication operators  $L_f$ ,  $f \in A_D$ , on  $A_D$  and the action of the Bethe algebra  $A_L$  on  $\text{Sing } L_{\Lambda}[\Lambda^{(\infty)}]$ , i.e. for any  $f, g \in A_D$  we have  $\xi(L_f(g)) = \psi_{DL}(f)(\xi(g))$ .*

The lemma follows from Corollary 4.4.2.

**6.3.2. Lemma.** *The kernel of  $\xi$  coincides with the kernel of  $\psi_{DL}$ .*

*Proof.* If  $\psi_{DL}(f) = 0$ , then  $\xi(f) = \xi(L_f(1)) = \psi_{DL}(f)(\xi(1)) = 0$ . On the other hand, if  $\xi(f) = 0$ , then for any  $g \in A_D$  we have  $\psi_{DL}(f)(\xi(g)) = \xi(L_f(g)) = \xi(fg) = \xi(L_g(f)) = \psi_{DL}(g)(\xi(f)) = 0$ . Since  $\xi$  is an epimorphism, this means that  $\psi_{DL}(f) = 0$ .  $\square$

**6.3.3. Lemma.** *The kernel of  $\xi$  coincides with the kernel of  $\psi_{DP}$ .*

*Proof.* By Schubert calculus  $\dim \text{Sing } L_{\Lambda}[\Lambda^{(\infty)}] = \dim A_G$ . Hence it suffices to show that the kernel of  $\xi$  contains the kernel of  $\psi_{DP}$ . But this follows from Theorems 2.1.5 and 5.4.2.

Indeed the defining relations in  $A_P = A_D/(\ker \psi_{DP})$  are the conditions on the operator  $\mathcal{D}_{\mathbf{h}}$  to have two linearly independent polynomials in the kernel. Theorems 2.1.5 and 5.4.2 guarantee these relations for elements of the Bethe algebra  $A_L$ . Hence, the kernel of  $\psi_{DL}$  contains the kernel of  $\psi_{DP}$ . By Lemma 6.3.2, the kernel of  $\xi$  coincides with the kernel of  $\psi_{DL}$ . Therefore, the kernel of  $\xi$  contains the kernel of  $\psi_{DP}$ .  $\square$

6.3.4. **Corollary.** *Since the algebra epimorphisms  $\psi_{DP}$  and  $\psi_{DL}$  have the same kernels, the algebras  $A_P$  and  $A_L$  are isomorphic, and hence by Theorem 6.1.1 the algebras  $A_G$  and  $A_L$  are isomorphic.*  $\square$

6.4. **Second main theorem.** Denote by  $\psi_{PL} : A_P \rightarrow A_L$  the isomorphism induced by  $\psi_{DL}$  and  $\psi_{DP}$ . The previous lemmas imply the following theorem.

6.4.1. **Theorem.** *The linear map  $\xi$  induces a linear isomorphism*

$$\zeta : A_P \rightarrow \text{Sing } L_{\Lambda}[\Lambda^{(\infty)}]$$

*which intertwines the multiplication operators  $L_f$ ,  $f \in A_P$ , on  $A_P$  and the action of the Bethe algebra  $A_L$  on  $\text{Sing } L_{\Lambda}[\Lambda^{(\infty)}]$ , i.e. for any  $f, g \in A_P$  we have  $\zeta(L_f(g)) = \psi_{PL}(f)(\zeta(g))$ .*  $\square$

6.4.2. **Corollary.** *If every operator  $f \in A_L$  is diagonalizable, then the algebra  $A_L$  has simple spectrum and all of the points of the intersection of Schubert cycles*

$$C_G = C_{\infty, \Lambda^{(\infty)}} \cap \left( \bigcap_{i=1}^n C_{z_i, \Lambda^{(i)}} \right)$$

*are of multiplicity one.*

*Proof of Corollary.* The algebras  $A_L$ ,  $A_P$  and  $A_G$  are all isomorphic. We have  $A_P = \bigoplus_{\mathbf{p}} A_{\mathbf{p}, P}$  where the sum is over the points of the scheme  $C_P$  considered as a set and  $A_{\mathbf{p}, P}$  is the local algebra associated with a point  $\mathbf{p}$ . The algebra  $A_{\mathbf{p}, P}$  has nonzero nilpotent elements if  $\dim A_{\mathbf{p}, P} > 1$ . If every element  $f \in A_P$  is diagonalizable, then the algebra  $A_P$  is the direct sum of one-dimensional local algebras. Hence  $A_P$  has simple spectrum as well as the algebras  $A_L$  and  $A_G$ .  $\square$

6.4.3. Corollary 6.4.2 has the following application.

**Corollary** [EGSV]. *If  $z_1, \dots, z_n$  are real and distinct, then all of the points of the intersection of Schubert cycles*

$$C_G = C_{\infty, \Lambda^{(\infty)}} \cap \left( \bigcap_{i=1}^n C_{z_i, \Lambda^{(i)}} \right)$$

*are of multiplicity one.*

*Proof.* If  $z_1, \dots, z_n$  are real and distinct, then by Corollary 3.5 in [MTV2] all elements of the Bethe algebra  $A_L$  are diagonalizable operators. Hence the spectrum of  $A_G$  is simple and all points of  $C_G$  are of multiplicity one.  $\square$

This corollary is proved in [EGSV] by a different method.

7. OPERATORS WITH POLYNOMIAL KERNEL AND BETHE ALGEBRA  $A_L$ 

7.1. **Linear isomorphism**  $\theta : A_P^* \rightarrow \text{Sing } L_\Lambda[\Lambda^{(\infty)}]$ . Define the symmetric bilinear form on  $A_P$  by the formula

$$(f, g)_P = S(\zeta(f), \zeta(g)) \quad \text{for all } f, g \in A_P.$$

Recall that  $S(, )$  denotes the Shapovalov form.

7.1.1. **Lemma.** *The form  $(, )_P$  is non-degenerate.*

The lemma follows from the fact that the Shapovalov form on  $\text{Sing } L_\Lambda[\Lambda^{(\infty)}]$  is non-degenerate and the fact that  $\zeta$  is an isomorphism.

7.1.2. **Lemma.** *We have  $(fg, h)_P = (g, fh)_P$  for all  $f, g, h \in A_P$ .*  $\square$

The form  $(, )_P$  defines a linear isomorphism  $\pi : A_P \rightarrow A_P^*$ ,  $f \mapsto (f, \cdot)_P$ .

7.1.3. **Corollary.** *The map  $\pi$  intertwines the multiplication operators  $L_f$ ,  $f \in A_P$ , on  $A_P$  and the dual operators  $L_f^*$ ,  $f \in A_P$ , on  $A_P^*$ .*

7.2. **Third main theorem.** Summarizing Theorem 6.4.1 and Corollary 7.1.3 we obtain the following theorem.

7.2.1. **Theorem.** *The composition  $\theta = \zeta\pi^{-1}$  is a linear isomorphism from  $A_P^*$  to  $\text{Sing } L_\Lambda[\Lambda^{(\infty)}]$  which intertwines the multiplication operators  $L_f^*$ ,  $f \in A_P$ , on  $A_P^*$  and the action of the Bethe algebra  $A_L$  on  $\text{Sing } L_\Lambda[\Lambda^{(\infty)}]$ , i.e. for any  $f \in A_P$  and  $g \in A_P^*$  we have  $\theta(L_f^*(g)) = \psi_{PL}(f)(\theta(g))$ .*  $\square$

7.2.2. Assume that  $v \in \text{Sing } L_\Lambda[\Lambda^{(\infty)}]$  is an eigenvector of the Bethe algebra  $A_L$ , that is,  $\psi_{ML}(H_s)v = \lambda_s v$  for suitable  $\lambda_s \in \mathbb{C}$  and  $s = 1, \dots, n$ . Then, by Corollaries 12.2.1 and 12.2.2 in [MTV3], the differential operator

$$\mathcal{D} = \frac{d^2}{dx^2} - \sum_{s=1}^n \frac{m_s}{x - z_s} \frac{d}{dx} + \sum_{s=1}^n \frac{\lambda_s}{x - z_s}$$

has the following properties. The operator  $\mathcal{D}$  has regular singular points at  $z_1, \dots, z_n, \infty$ . For  $s = 1, \dots, n$ , the exponents of  $\mathcal{D}$  at  $z_s$  are  $0, m_s + 1$ . The exponents of  $\mathcal{D}$  at  $\infty$  are  $-l, l - 1 - \sum_{s=1}^n m_s$ . The kernel of  $\mathcal{D}$  consists of polynomials only. The following corollary of Theorem 7.2.1 gives the converse statement.

7.2.3. **Corollary of Theorem 7.2.1.** *Let  $\mathbf{p} \in \mathbb{C}^n$  be a point such that  $q_{-1}(\mathbf{h}(\mathbf{p})) = 0$ ,  $q_0(\mathbf{h}(\mathbf{p})) = 0$ , and all solutions of the differential equation  $\mathcal{D}_{\mathbf{h}(\mathbf{p})}u(x) = 0$  are polynomials. Then there exists an eigenvector  $v \in \text{Sing } L_\Lambda[\Lambda^{(\infty)}]$  of the action of the Bethe algebra  $A_L$  such that for every  $s = 1, \dots, n$  we have*

$$\psi_{ML}(H_s)v = h_s(\mathbf{p})v.$$

*Proof of Corollary 7.2.3.* Indeed, such  $\mathbf{p}$  defines a linear function  $\eta : A_P \rightarrow \mathbb{C}$ ,  $h_s \mapsto h_s(\mathbf{p})$  for  $s = 1, \dots, n$ . Moreover,  $\eta(fg) = \eta(f)\eta(g)$  for all  $f, g \in A_P$ . Hence  $\eta \in A_P^*$  is an eigenvector of multiplication operators on  $A_P^*$ . By Theorem 7.2.1 this eigenvector corresponds to an eigenvector  $v \in \text{Sing } L_{\Lambda}[\Lambda^{(\infty)}]$  of the action of the Bethe algebra  $A_L$  with eigenvalues prescribed in Corollary 7.2.3.  $\square$

7.2.4. Assume that  $\mathbf{p} \in \mathbb{C}^n$  is a point satisfying the assumptions of Corollary 7.2.3. We describe how to find the eigenvector  $v \in \text{Sing } L_{\Lambda}[\Lambda^{(\infty)}]$  indicated in Corollary 7.2.3.

Let  $f(x)$  be the monic polynomial of degree  $l$  which is a solution of the differential equation  $\mathcal{D}_{\mathbf{h}(\mathbf{p})}w(x) = 0$ . Consider the polynomial

$$\omega(u, \mathbf{y}) = u^l \prod_{j=1}^{n-1} f(y^{(j)})$$

as an element of  $M_{\Lambda}$ , see Section 3.4. By Theorem 3.4.2 this vector lies in  $\text{Sing } M_{\Lambda}[\Lambda^{(\infty)}]$  and  $\omega(u, \mathbf{y})$  is an eigenvector of the Bethe algebra  $A_M$  with eigenvalues prescribed in Corollary 7.2.3. Consider the maximal subspace  $V \subset \text{Sing } M_{\Lambda}[\Lambda^{(\infty)}]$  with three properties: i)  $V$  contains  $\omega(u, \mathbf{y})$ , ii)  $V$  does not contain other eigenvectors of the Bethe algebra  $A_M$ , iii)  $V$  is invariant with respect to the Bethe algebra  $A_M$ . Let  $\sigma(V) \subset \text{Sing } L_{\Lambda}[\Lambda^{(\infty)}]$  be the image of  $V$  under the epimorphism  $\sigma$ . Then the subspace  $\sigma(V)$  contains a unique one-dimensional subspace of eigenvectors of the Bethe algebra  $A_L$ . Any such an eigenvector may serve as an eigenvector of the Bethe algebra  $A_L$  indicated in Corollary 7.2.3.

## 8. APPENDIX. GROTHENDIECK AND SHAPOVALOV FORMS

8.1. **Form**  $(, )_S$  **on**  $A_D$ . Define the symmetric bilinear form on  $A_D$  by the formula

$$(f, g)_S = S(\xi(f), \xi(g)) \quad \text{for all } f, g \in A_D,$$

where  $S(, )$  denotes the Shapovalov form.

8.1.1. **Lemma.** *The kernel of the bilinear form  $(, )_S$  coincides with the kernel of the linear map  $\xi$ .*

The lemma follows from the fact that the Shapovalov form on  $\text{Sing } L_{\Lambda}[\Lambda^{(\infty)}]$  is non-degenerate.

8.1.2. **Lemma.** *We have  $(fg, h)_S = (g, fh)_S$  for all  $f, g, h \in A_D$ .*

The lemma follows from Theorem 4.3.1 and the fact that the operators of the Bethe algebra are symmetric with respect to the Shapovalov form, see, for example, [RV] and [MTV1].

8.1.3. **Corollary.** *There exists  $F \in A_D$  such that  $(f, g)_S = (Ff, g)_D$  for all  $f, g \in A_F$ .*

8.1.4. **Lemma.** *The kernel of the multiplication operator  $L_F : A_D \rightarrow A_D$  coincides with the kernel of  $\xi$ .*

The lemma follows from Theorem 4.3.1 and the fact that the kernel of  $\sigma$  is the kernel of the Shapovalov form on  $\text{Sing } M_\Lambda[\Lambda^{(\infty)}]$ .

The image of  $L_F$  is the principal ideal  $(F) \subset A_D$  generated by  $F$ .

8.1.5. **Corollary.** *The algebra of operators  $L_f, f \in A_D$ , restricted to  $(F)$  is isomorphic to the algebra  $A_L$ .*

Denote  $J = \{f \in A_D \mid fg = 0 \text{ for all } g \in \ker \psi_{DP}\}$ . The following lemma describes the ideal  $(F)$  without using the Shapovalov form.

8.1.6. **Lemma.** *We have  $(F) = J$ .*

*Proof.* The inclusion  $(F) \subset J$  follows from Lemmas 8.1.4 and 6.3.3. On the other hand, since  $(, )_D$  is non-degenerate, we have  $\dim J = \dim A_D - \dim \ker \psi_{DP}$ . By Lemma 8.1.4,  $(F)$  has the same dimension and hence  $(F) = J$ .  $\square$

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